

Cynthia L. Wood

Current Employment

Forensic Scientist
Forensic Biology Section
New Mexico Department of Public Safety
August 2011-March 2016

Previous Employment

Forensic Biologist
Forensic Biology Section
Division of Forensic Sciences
Georgia Bureau of Investigation
July 2005-July 2011

Education

Bachelor of Science-1999
Georgia State University
Atlanta, GA
Major-Biology with a Chemistry minor
Courses Taken include Molecular Cell Biology, Genetics and Biochemistry

Specialized Training

DNA Training Program.....GBI-DOFS
ABI Prism 310 Genetic Analyzer.....Applied Biosystems/GBI-DOFS
Serology Training Program.....NFSTC/GBI-DOFS

Workshops and Meetings

- 58th Annual American Academy of Forensic Sciences Meeting, February 2006
- Advanced Topics in STR DNA analysis-AAFS Meeting, February 2006
- Human Population Genetics Workshop-NFSTC at GBI, June 2006
- Forensic Biology Screening Workshop-NFSTC, January 2007
- Promega 18th International Symposium on Human Identification, October 2007
- Advanced DNA Training-Marshall University, July 2008
- Bode Technology Conference, May 2009
- Future Trends in Forensic DNA Technology-Applied Biosystems, August 2009
- Forensic Y-STR Training-Marshall University, July 2010
- Blood Spatter Training-DPS, August 2011
- Promega 22nd International Symposium on Human Identification, October 2011

- 64th Annual American Academy of Forensic Sciences Meeting, February 2012
- Advanced DNA Mixture Interpretation and Statistical Approaches-AAFS Meeting, February 2012
- Bode 10th Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop, March 2013
- DNA Mixture Interpretation Workshop & Webcast, April 2013
- 35th Annual Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists, October 2013
- Recovery and Identification of Human Skeletal Remains-SWAFS meeting, October 2013
- NIST DNA Analyst Webinar Series: Probabilistic Genotyping and Software Problems, May 2014
- 25th International Symposium on Human Identification; September 2014
- Interpretation of Complex DNA Mixtures Workshop; ISHI Meeting; September 2014
- Forensic Science and the Law; October 2014
- Bode 12th Annual Advanced DNA Technical Workshop, March 2015

Professional Affiliations

American Academy of Forensic Sciences-member 2006-2016

Testimony Given As An Expert Witness

Approximately 72 times in Superior and Juvenile Courts throughout the state of Georgia; 12 times in the state of New Mexico, including Districts 1, 3, 5, 8, 9, 12, and 13.

Research and Validation

Validation of Qiagen Investigator Kit for use on the EZ1 robots